



THE DAILY WATCH



A NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH NEWSLETTER PROVIDED BY

THE COMMUNITY LIAISON UNIT OF THE SEDGWICK COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT



Lieutenant Sam Houston was promoted to the rank of Sheriff Captain. Sergeant Terrilee Jones was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant. Detective Robert Klausmeyer and Detective Gary Hargus were promoted to the rank of Sergeant and Deputies Matt Lynch and Lloyd Brownlee were promoted to the rank of Detective.

CONGRATULATIONS EVERYONE ON YOUR PROMOTION!

Personal note from Sgt. Terrilee Jones: I have been the sergeant of Community Liaison since January of 1999. I am now the 3rd shift Watch Commander. I have enjoyed working with the Neighborhood Watch programs and other community groups in Sedgwick County. I think we have accomplished a lot in the last four years and I am sure you will continue to keep your neighborhoods safe.

Sgt. Mike Stover will be the new sergeant in Community Liaison. He has been on the Sedgwick County Sheriff's Department for thirteen years and he is looking forward to working with the community.



BUCKLE UP! WE'RE SEAT BELT SERIOUS!

Buckling your seat belt reduces the risk of fatal and critical injuries to front seat passengers and car occupants by up to 50 percent.

Kansas Law Enforcement cares about you and wants you and your passengers to be safe. That's why we are committed to enforcing our occupant protection laws in the State of Kansas.

It's the law.



Kansas Law requires all children under age 14 to be properly restrained in any seating position in the vehicle.



All children under 4 years of age must be secured in an approved child safety seat.



All vehicle drivers and front seat passengers must be properly restrained with a safety belt.

Drivers, passengers, everyone – always "CLICK" your seat belt.



A is for Always! Remember, the safest place for all children to ride is the back seat.

B is for Buckle! Be sure to set a good example.

C is for Click! When you click, kids click, and Kansas Clicks.



SEDGWICK COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT PARTICIPATES IN BUCKLE UP AMERICA AND KANSAS CLICKS

Sedgwick County teenagers and young adults were surrounded with the strong message "BUCKLE UP; IF YOU WON'T BUCKLE UP TO SAVE YOUR LIFE, THEN BUCKLE UP TO SAVE YOURSELF A TICKET", as the Sedgwick County Sheriff's Department joined more than 12,000 law enforcement agencies in a nationwide crack down on seat belt violators.

The two-week enforcement wave, which ran May 19 through June 1, 2003, was supported by the Kansas Clicks grant through the Kansas Department of Transportation.

The two-week campaign resulted in the arrest of fifteen motorists for driving under the influence. One hundred and eighty-six motorists were written citations for not wearing a seat belt and thirteen were

issued citations for no child restraints. Additionally three-hundred and sixty-seven motorists were written citations for speeding.

A pre and post seat belt survey was conducted at ten different locations throughout the county during this time. During the pre survey we found that 65% of drivers surveyed were wearing a seat belt. During the post survey we found that 71% of drivers were wearing a seatbelt.

A seat belt check point was also conducted on May 28, 2003 between the hours of 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm, at 21st street North just West of 127th street East. Over 200 cars went through the check point and most drivers were in compliance with the seat belt laws.

We would like to remind everyone to **BUCKLE UP, DRIVE SAFELY** and **NOT TO DRINK AND DRIVE!**



YOUTH CITIZENS POLICE
ACADEMY CAMP

On June 6, 2003 forty-three high school students graduated from the 2nd annual Youth Citizens Police Academy held at Andale High School. There were students from Andale High, Northwest High, Southeast High, South High, West High, Central Christian Academy and Mayberry Middle School. They had to attend 11 different classes throughout the year taught by the School Resource Officers at their schools. They had classes ranging from self esteem to rap with a cop.

Students were selected from these classes to participate in the five-day day camp. They learned a lot about the Judicial system with a strong emphasis on Law Enforcement such as car stops, building searches, investigations, and much more. Every morning the students did obstacle courses which they all loved. The camp started June 2 and went through June 6, 2003.

Wichita/Sedgwick County Citizens Police Academy, Big Brothers and Big Sisters and McGreevy Meats were sponsors. That helped make the camp a success.

Both Sedgwick County Sheriff's Deputies and Wichita Police Officers were the driving force to make this years camp a success. A special thanks goes out to Cara Ledy, the principal at Andale High School, for letting us use their facility for the camp...**THANK YOU!!!**



NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

Since 1984, the first Tuesday in August of each year has been designated as National Night Out. The campaign involves citizens, law enforcement agencies, civic groups, businesses, neighborhood organizations and local officials from an estimated 9,000 communities throughout the United States and Canada.

National Night Out is sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch (NATW). The program is designed to:



Heighten crime and drug prevention awareness;



Generate support for, and participation in, local anticrime programs;



Strengthen neighborhood spirit and police – community partnerships; and



Send a message to criminals letting them know that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back.

Among the recommended activities for National Night Out are the following:



Homes are recommended to have their outdoor lights on, particularly during the hours of 7 to 10 p.m.



People are asked to come out of their homes, apartments and condos to meet and become acquainted with their neighbors.



Neighbors, often working through their Neighborhood Watch Program, are encouraged to plan special activities.



Block Parties;



Cookouts;



Parades;



Visits from local police;



Flashlight walks;



Contests; and



Youth programs.

**NATIONAL NIGHT OUT
WILL BE AUGUST 5, 2003
SO MAKE PLANS NOW! IF
YOU ARE PLANNING
ANYTHING FOR NATIONAL
NIGHT OUT PLEASE
CONTACT US.**

For additional information about National Night out, contact the Sedgwick County Sheriff's Department, Community Liaison section, at 383-7184.




THE NEW CRIME PREVENTION GUIDES ARE NOW AVAILABLE!


Neighborhood Watch Captains or participants can call 383-7184 to make arrangements to pick up their free guides.





FIREWORKS SAFETY


To help you celebrate safely this Fourth of July, the Consumer Product Safety Commission and the National Council on Fireworks Safety offer the following safety tips:


 Always **READ** and **FOLLOW** label directions.


 Have an adult present.


 Buy from reliable sellers.


 Use outdoors only! Keep away from homes, dry grass and trees.


 Always have water handy (a garden hose and a bucket).


 Never experiment or make your own fireworks.


 Light only one firework at a time.


 Never re-light a "dud" firework (wait 15 to 20 minutes and then soak it in a bucket of water).


 Never give fireworks to small children!


 If necessary, store fireworks in a cool, dry place.


 Dispose of fireworks properly by soaking them in water and then disposing them in your trashcan.


 Never throw or point fireworks at other people.

 Never carry fireworks in your pocket!

 Never shoot fireworks in metal or glass containers.

 The shooter should always wear eye protection and never have any part of the body over the firework.

 Stay away from illegal explosives.

 One more thing to remember, **PETS** can be frightened by loud noises and bright flashes. Keep your pets indoors while enjoying your fireworks.

FIREWORKS ARE GREAT FUN...PLEASE MAKE YOUR CELEBRATION A SAFE ONE!



THE NEW COMPUTERIZED IDENT-A-KID HAS ARRIVED!!!

Ident-a-kid fingerprinting goes hi-tech! We now offer computerized child fingerprint identification.

We will take your child's picture with a digital camera, scan their fingerprint and provide you with a floppy disc to enter medical history and pertinent identification information.

From January 2000 to present, we have fingerprinted 5,552 children in Sedgwick County. With the new system we feel that we can increase that number.

Please call 383-7184 to set up a program.



If you have questions about any of the articles printed in the newsletter, please feel free to contact the Community Liaison Section at **(316) 383-7184**.

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HAVE A SAFE JULY 4TH HOLIDAY

